

Human Services in several areas including: peer review; Area Health Education Centers; title VII health professions; and the External Advisory Panel for Primary Care. She was instrumental in developing the Committee for the Departments of Family Medicine Grant Reviews and chaired the National Advisory Council on Health Professions Education. She is currently serving as the vice president for the Council on Graduate Medical Education for the Health Resources and Services Administration.

She has also served in many capacities in Utah State government including as: a member of the Utah Task Force on Rural Health Policy Development, chairwoman of the Rural Medical Financial Assistance Committee, and a member of the Preventive Health Care Services Technical Advisory Group for the Utah Health Policy Commission.

I am also particularly grateful for the service Dr. Bishop has given me as a member of my Utah Women's Advisory Committee. She has been a valuable asset on this committee providing me with input and excellent ideas concerning women's health issues.

Dr. Bishop can also add author to her long list of accomplishments. She has published several important articles in such prestigious publications as: the *British Journal of Medical Education*, the *Journal of Practical Nursing*, the *Journal of Community Health*, and the *Textbook of Family Practice*. She is currently serving as the chairwoman for the *American Journal of Preventive Medicine*.

Sadly, Dr. Bishop is now battling her own personal health crisis. I sincerely hope she is able to draw upon the strength and courage she imparted to the many people she touched throughout her medical and teaching career to ease her own pain and suffering. The service she has so unselfishly given to students, patients, and the medical community is exemplary and the contributions she made to the field of family practice will be felt for years to come. I am grateful for the opportunity today to honor this wonderful doctor, mother, and woman.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

HONORING CINDY DWYER

• Mr. JOHNSON. Mr. President, I ask that the following statement from our former colleague, Senator Bob Kerrey of Nebraska, be printed in the *RECORD*. Senator Kerrey is providing this statement concerning a former member of his Senate staff who is presently serving as my scheduler.

There being no objection, the statement was ordered to be printed in the *RECORD*, as follows:

We Americans have been taught to believe our share of myths. Myths are not lies; they are, like George Washington's decision to tell the truth about a fallen cherry tree, sto-

ries with a purpose. The purpose, however, is not always benign. Malignant myths have their roots in the soil of despair. They are told by those who do not believe in the possibility of human beings being motivated by the desire to do good.

Among the most destructive of cynical myths is that people who work for politicians are old corrupt hacks who only care about keeping their bosses in power. Cindy Dwyer is living evidence that the cynics are wrong, and what is most wonderful about Washington, DC, is that her story is not unique.

Cindy was 20 years old and a junior in college when she volunteered for a Senate campaign in South Dakota. Her candidate won and she went back to school. When she finished, her candidate, now a Senator, called to offer her a job. Cindy rolled the dice and said yes.

In the Senator's office she met and became friends with a legislative assistant by the name of Tom Daschle. She stayed for a few years and then moved back to South Dakota to teach kindergarten. Not long after settling back into private life her legislative assistant friend called to say he was running for Congress. He offered her a job in his campaign. Tom Daschle won that race and Cindy raced back to DC where she served as his scheduler. When Tom made a successful run for Senate in 1986, she moved over to his Senate office to become his press secretary.

And that is where I come into her story. In late 1987 I decided I would become a candidate for U.S. Senate. I had learned enough to know that my most important hire would be the person who did my scheduling and I learned that Cindy just might be willing to join our campaign. Fortunately for me and unfortunately for my opponent Cindy said yes. And, when the campaign was over I asked her to move to Washington one more time.

For the 12 years I served Nebraskans in the Senate she managed my most valuable commodity: my time. She helped me do my job much better than I could have without her. She extended my reach, increased the scope of my vision, and broadened the number of volunteer partners at home. She never failed to return a phone call. She could say no and make it sound like yes. She wouldn't leave the office until my plane was safely on the ground. If her salary were calculated by the hour, she would have been among the lowest paid people in the American workforce.

But Cindy, like most of the other young people in Washington, does not do what she does in order to reap financial rewards. She does what she does because she loves our country, wants to make it a better place, seeks to increase citizen confidence that our Government is "of, by and for the people," and thinks her greatest accomplishments were when she used the power of the office for the good of just one person in trouble.

It seems a perfect ending to a heroic story that Cindy went to work for Senator Tim Johnson and helped him win one of the most difficult campaigns in 2002. So it is that she will spend her last day doing the same thing she did on her first: working for the people of South Dakota. It is just as perfect that in many ways Cindy's nearly 28 years of service in Congress were spent doing many of the same things she did when she taught preschool and kindergarten. Members of Congress were behaving like children long before psychiatrists recommended that we get in touch with our inner child.

Cindy Dwyer always stayed in touch with her inner teacher. She mentored every young staffer who had the good fortune to fall under her authority. She never hoarded her good advice or good wishes. She took delight when others learned from her and succeeded

because of it. Most importantly Cindy gave delight to anyone who spoke with her on the phone. For no gift can match the jolt of good news from her joyful voice shouting out: "How are you doing?"

The answer, is that thanks to Cindy we are doing just fine. •

IN RECOGNITION OF THE EFFORTS OF THE DELAWARE MENTORING COUNCIL

• Mr. CARPER. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize the good work of the Delaware Mentoring Council and to celebrate the efforts of mentors across our great country. With the designation of January as National Mentoring Month, we focus national attention on the need for mentors, as well as how each of us—individuals, businesses, schools and community groups—can work together to increase the number of mentors and assure brighter futures for our young people.

Mentors serve as role models, advocates, friends, and advisors. Numerous studies document that mentors help young people augment social skills, enhance emotional well-being, improve cognitive skills, and plan for the future. For some children, having a caring adult mentor to turn to for guidance and encouragement can make the crucial difference between success and failure in life.

Delaware has been showing communities across the country the power of mentoring for quite a while. Mentoring has become an integral part of our school system in Delaware and is one of the keys to improving academic achievement among at-risk students.

As Governor, I helped recruit thousands of mentors as part of a statewide effort and was actively involved in recruiting individuals, churches, service clubs, students, and corporations to help in mentoring Delaware's at-risk children. I first experienced the joy of mentoring in 1997 when I became a mentor to Darryl Burton, a fifth grader at Wilmington's Warner Elementary School. More than 5 years later, we now meet at Delcastle High School, where he is a freshman, every week during the school year. I know from personal experience that there are few things more rewarding than making a difference in the life of a child. Literally hundreds of mentors have said to me of their mentoring experience over the past 6 years, "I know I'm helping the young person that I mentor, but I get even more out of it than they do."

We are making great strides in the First State in helping thousands of additional students realize their full potential, along with Delaware's rigorous academic standards. The Delaware Mentoring Council is, in large part, leading the way. We must continue to work to level the playing field and give every child the tools they need to succeed in school and in life.

I am proud to be part of Delaware's army of mentors. We know that there are thousands of other students in our schools who would benefit greatly from

having another positive role model in their lives, so I urge others to join us. For a child living in the shadows of life, an hour of our time can make a lifetime of difference for that child and for each of us.●

THE BOISE STATE UNIVERSITY 2002 FOOTBALL PROGRAM

● Mr. CRAPO. Mr. President, we rise today to ask the Senate to join us in recognizing the accomplishments of the 2002 Football Program at Boise State University (BSU), in our home State of Idaho. Senator LARRY CRAIG, Congressman MIKE SIMPSON, Congressman C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER, and I wish to honor the players, Head Coach Dan Hawkins, his entire staff, the administrators of BSU, the Bronco Athletic Association, and the thousands of BSU fans for the outstanding season. The Broncos of BSU have excelled in both academics and sportsmanship. The team is a source of pride for the university, the city of Boise, and the entire State of Idaho.

The Broncos began the season with optimism and commitment; their hard work was rewarded by the following accomplishments:

2002 Western Athletic Conference (WAC) Champions; 8 wins and no losses in the WAC; an overall record of 12 wins and only 1 loss; the highest overall margin of victory in the history of the WAC of 37.2 points per game; Humanitarian Bowl Champions with a 34 to 16 win over Iowa State University; #1 team in the Nation in team scoring; #1 team in the Nation in total offense; #1 team in the Nation in passing efficiency; #17 team in the Nation in scoring defense; ranked #15 in the Nation in the AP Poll; ranked #12 in the Nation in the ESPN/USA Today Coaches Poll, and Second longest current winning streak in the country, second only to National Champion Ohio State University.

Through service, the BSU Broncos have taken the energy they generate on the field and spread it throughout the Boise community. Mentoring children, hosting youth football camps, and visiting the Ronald McDonald House are just a few examples of how the BSU Football Program benefits Idaho.

We recognize the extraordinary progress and development of the BSU football program and look to its success as an example of what can be accomplished with leadership, commitment, determination, and, most importantly, teamwork.

We congratulate the football program of Boise State University for the achievements made and look forward to future success and a strong defense of its conference title.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Evans, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

BUDGET MESSAGE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2004—PM 8

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred jointly, pursuant to the order of January 30, 1975 as modified by the order of April 11, 1986, received on February 3, 2003; to the Committees on Appropriations; and the Budget:

THE BUDGET MESSAGE OF THE PRESIDENT

The budget for 2004 meets the challenges posed by three national priorities: winning the war against terrorism, securing the homeland, and generating long-term economic growth. It restrains the growth in federal spending and addresses the long-term fiscal challenges presented by Medicare and Social Security's unfunded promises. This year's budget also helps America meet its goals both at home and overseas.

We remain at war with an enemy that seeks to use murder, stealth, and fear against all free nations. Yet our response has been resolute. The people of Afghanistan have been freed from the oppressive regime that sponsors the terrorists who planned and carried out the attacks of September 11, 2001. We are hunting down the terrorist leaders and their collaborators, one by one. And we continue to disrupt their plots, shut down their financing, and deny them safe haven.

We have moved to secure the nation's safety. Just 10 days ago, the new Department of Homeland Security began operations in the biggest reorganization of the Federal Government in a half-century. The cabinet-level department unifies the work of 22 programs and agencies and will move quickly to better protect Americans from threats here at home. We also have moved to defend America's interests abroad, and to confront danger wherever it emerges. Working with our allies and partners, we will face down regimes that govern by fear and deception, and we will devote the necessary resources to protect ourselves and our friends against the use of weapons of mass destruction.

We are strengthening our economy by allowing American families to keep more of their own money and encouraging businesses to save, spend, and grow. While the economy is growing, it is not growing fast enough. Too many Americans who want to work can't find a job, and too many American families are falling behind.

The growth and jobs plan I outlined earlier this year will provide critical momentum to our economic recovery. For every American paying income taxes, I propose speeding up the tax cuts already approved by the Congress, because Americans need that relief today. And for America's 84 million investors, and those who will become investors, I propose eliminating the double taxation of stock dividends. Double taxation is unfair and bad for our economy.

Government cannot manage or control the economy. But government can remove the barriers blocking stronger economic growth. My plan will give Americans more tools to achieve that growth.

A recession and a war we did not choose have led to the return of deficits. My administration firmly believes in controlling the deficit and reducing it as the economy strengthens and our national security interests are met. Compared to the overall federal budget and the \$10.5 trillion national economy, our budget gap is small by historical standards. By protecting our vital national security interests and promoting economic growth, we will meet the challenges and concerns of the American people. We will not let them down.

I will also insist on spending discipline in Washington, D.C., so we can meet our priorities. We must prepare for the future costs of Social Security and Medicare. My budget takes the first steps toward modernizing Medicare and includes prescription drug coverage.

We will continue to focus on getting results from federal spending. A federal program's measure of success is not its size, but the value it delivers. And my budget will focus on this goal in a new and important way. If federal programs cannot show results, they should be overhauled, or retired.

And while human compassion cannot be summarized in dollars and cents, this budget addresses the many challenges our society faces: bridging the gap for low-income families, so they can buy affordable homes; helping communities of faith pull the addicted from the grip of drugs; lifting children out of poverty and hopelessness by creating good schools and offering them caring adult mentors; and easing the pain and hardship of the global epidemic of AIDS.

Some of the challenges we face will endure for many years and require great resources. As we look down that path, we will not always get to choose which battles we fight. It is, however, our duty to fight them. History may not remember every single way we contributed to this nation's betterment, but it will remember if we failed to try. The courage to take on challenges, and the enterprise with which we have succeeded in meeting them, have always distinguished America. This same courage and enterprise will help America